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ABSTRACT

A method for directing a client to a content server containing desired content by providing the client with an address shared by a plurality of content servers, each of which has a copy of the desired content. The client is then served from an optimal, or closest available content server selected from the plurality of content servers. This optimal content server is selected on the basis of an optimal path from the client to the shared address.

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